

Newark Man Arrested for Multiple Commercial Burglaries Committed During One Night- New Castle

New Castle— Delaware State Police have arrested **23-year-old Isiah R. Church of Newark**, for multiple commercial burglaries that began during the late hours of May 4th into the early morning hours of May 5, 2020.

On May 4, 2020, at 9:55 p.m., Troopers were dispatched to NY Fried Chicken, located at 3900 North DuPont Highway, New Castle, for a reported burglary. Upon arrival, Troopers discovered the side glass door had been shattered. Through investigative measures, it was determined the suspect entered the business and removed the cash register before fleeing on foot.

During the investigation of the burglary, Church was identified as the suspect through video surveillance footage. After the burglary, Church responded to his mother's residence in Newark, and engaged in a verbal argument with her. Before the police arrived on the scene, Church fled the area and responded to the CVS store located at 1545 Pulaski Highway and shattered the front glass door of the business. Church was unsuccessful in gaining entry into the store.

After the unsuccessful attempt at gaining entry into CVS, Church responded to the Game Changers bar located at 1430 Pulaski Highway and was able to gain entry into the business through the front doors. While inside, he removed the cash

register before fleeing on foot.

After leaving Game Changers bar, Church went to Seasons Pizza, located at 1460 Pulaski Highway, and shattered the front door of the business to gain entry. Once inside, he ransacked the front register area and stole money before fleeing the scene and responding to Ambassadors Liquors located at 1466 Pulaski Hwy. Church shattered the glass door to Ambassadors Liquors and removed the cash register and a bottle of Hennessy Liquor before fleeing on foot.

After the Ambassadors Liquors burglary, Church was located on foot in the Wellington Woods community and taken into custody without incident.

Church was charged with the following crimes by the Delaware State Police:

Burglary 3rd Degree (Felony- 3 counts)

Attempt to Commit Burglary 3rd Degree (Felony)

Theft under \$1500 (3 counts)

Criminal Mischief Less than \$5,000

Criminal Mischief Under \$1,000 (4 counts)

Failure to Obey an Emergency Order

Church was arraigned by Justice of the Peace Court and was issued a \$13,500.00 secure bond and committed to Howard R Young Correctional Institution.

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VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@state.de.us.

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